

United States Attorney Southern District of New York

United States District Courthouse 300 Quarropas Street White Plains, New York 10601

August 2, 2007

BY HAND

The Honorable Lisa Margaret Smith Chief United States Magistrate Judge United States District Court 300 Quarropas Street White Plains, NY 10601

Re:

United States v. Horst Held,

07 Cr. 688

Dear Chief Judge Smith:

The sealed indictment in the above-captioned case was filed on Thursday, July 26. The defendant was arrested in Midlothian, Texas this morning. Therefore, the United States hereby requests that the indictment in the above-captioned case be unsealed.

Respectfully Submitted,

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